

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT is between the **Office of the Indiana Attorney General** (hereinafter the "State") and **Christy's of Indiana, LLC** whose address is **6851 South Madison Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46227** (hereinafter "Contractor").

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the State is charged with notifying and attempting to locate owners of unclaimed property in order to return the property to its rightful owners pursuant to Indiana Code section 32-34-1, and

WHEREAS, the State receives large quantities of safe deposit box contents from unclaimed property holders, and

WHEREAS, the State unclaimed property staff is insufficient and unknowledgeable in the inventory and appraisal process, and

WHEREAS, the Contractor has, among other things, particular expertise and knowledge in the inventory and appraisal of safe deposit box contents.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises herein contained, the State and the Contractor agree as follows:

- 1. Duties of Contractor.** Contractor shall provide the services listed in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. Consideration.** The maximum amount of this Contract shall not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) which shall include any costs for travel and expenses. See Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. Term.** The term of this Contract will be from March 15, 2007 to December 31, 2007.
- 4. Access to Records.** The Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, and other evidence pertaining to all costs incurred under this Contract. They shall make such materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during this Contract term, and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Contract, for inspection by the State or by any other authorized representative of state government. Copies thereof shall be furnished at no cost to the State if requested.
- 5. Assignment; Successors.** The Contractor shall not assign or subcontract the whole or any part of this Contract without the State's prior written consent. The Contractor may assign its right to receive payments to such third parties as the Contractor may desire without the prior written consent of the State, provided that Contractor gives written notice (including evidence of such assignment) to the State thirty (30) days in advance of

any payment so assigned. The assignment shall cover all unpaid amounts under this Contract and shall not be made to more than one party.

6. Audits. Contractor acknowledges that it may be required to submit to an audit of funds paid through this Contract. Any such audit shall be conducted in accordance with IC 5-11-1, and audit guidelines specified by the State.

7. Authority to Bind Contractor. Notwithstanding anything in this Contract to the contrary, the signatory for the Contractor represents that he/she has been duly authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the Contractor and has obtained all necessary or applicable approvals from the home office of the Contractor to make this Contract fully binding upon the Contractor when his/her signature is affixed, and this Contract is not subject to further acceptance by Contractor when accepted by the State of Indiana.

8. Changes in Work. In the event the State requires a major change in scope, character or complexity of the work after the work has begun, adjustments in compensation to the Contractor shall be determined by the State in the exercise of its good faith and prudent judgment. The Contractor shall not commence any additional work or the change of the scope of the work until authorized in writing by the State. No claim for additional compensation shall be made in the absence of a prior written approval executed by all signatories hereto.

9. Compliance with Laws.

A. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, the provisions of which are incorporated by reference. The enactment or amendment of any applicable state or federal statute or the promulgation or regulations thereunder after execution of this Contract shall be reviewed by the State and the Contractor to determine whether the provisions of the Contract require formal modification.

B. The Contractor and its agents shall abide by all ethical requirements that apply to persons who have a business relationship with the State, as set forth in Indiana Code § 4-2-6 *et seq.*, the regulations promulgated thereunder, and Executive Order 04-08, dated April 27, 2004. If the Contractor is not familiar with these ethical requirements, the Contractor should refer any questions to the Indiana State Ethics Commission, or visit the Indiana State Ethics Commission website at <<<<http://www.in.gov/ethics/>>>>. If the contractor or its agents violate any applicable ethical standards, the State may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Contract immediately upon notice to the Contractor. In addition, the Contractor may be subject to penalties under Indiana Code § 4-2-6-12.

C. The Contractor certifies by entering into this Contract, that neither it nor its principal(s) is presently in arrears in payment of its taxes, permit fees or other statutory, regulatory or judicially required payments to the State of Indiana. Further, the Contractor agrees that any payments in arrears and currently due to the State of Indiana may be withheld from payments due to the Contractor. Additionally, further work or payments may be withheld, delayed, or denied and/or this Agreement suspended until the

Contractor is current in its payments and has submitted proof of such payment to the State.

D. The Contractor warrants that it has no current or outstanding criminal, civil, or enforcement actions initiated by the State of Indiana pending, and agrees that it will immediately notify the State of any such actions. During the term of such actions, Contractor agrees that the State may delay, withhold, or deny work under any Supplement or contractual device issued pursuant to this Agreement. If a valid dispute exists as to the Contractor's liability or guilt in any action initiated by the State of Indiana or its agencies, and the State decides to delay, withhold, or deny work to the Contractor, the Contractor may request that it be allowed to continue, or receive work, without delay. The Contractor must submit, in writing, a request for review to the Indiana Department of Administration (IDOA) following the procedures for disputes outlined herein. A determination by IDOA shall be binding on the parties.

E. Any payments that the State may delay, withhold, deny, or apply under this section shall not be subject to penalty or interest under IC 5-17-5.

F. The Contractor warrants that the Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall obtain and maintain all required permits, licenses, and approvals, as well as comply with all health, safety, and environmental statutes, rules, or regulations in the performance of work activities for the State. Failure to do so is a material breach of the contract and grounds for immediate termination of the Contract and denial of further work with the State.

G. The Contractor hereby affirms that it is properly registered and owes no outstanding reports to the Indiana Secretary of State.

H. Contractor agrees that the State may confirm, at any time, that no liabilities exist to the State of Indiana, and, if such liabilities are discovered, that State may bar Contractor from contracting with the State in the future, cancel existing contracts, withhold payments to setoff such obligations, and withhold further payments or purchases until the entity is current in its payments on its liability to the State and has submitted proof of such payment to the State.

I. As required by IC 5-22-3-7:

- (1) the Contractor and any principals of the Contractor certify that
 - (A) the Contractor, except for de minimis and nonsystematic violations, has not violated the terms of
 - (i) IC 24-4.7 [Telephone Solicitation of Consumers],
 - (ii) IC 24-5-12 [Telephone Solicitations] , or
 - (iii) IC 24-5-14 [Regulation of Automatic Dialing Machines] in the previous three hundred sixty-five (365) days, even if IC 24-4.7 is preempted by federal law; and

- (B) the Contractor will not violate the terms of IC 24-4.7 for the duration of the Contract, even if IC 24-4.7 is preempted by federal law.
- (2) The Contractor and any principals of the Contractor certify that an affiliate or principal of the Contractor and any agent acting on behalf of the Contractor or on behalf of an affiliate or principal of the Contractor:
 - (A) except for de minimis and nonsystematic violations, has not violated the terms of IC 24-4.7 in the previous three hundred sixty-five (365) days, even if IC 24-4.7 is preempted by federal law; and
 - (B) will not violate the terms of IC 24-4.7 for the duration of the Contract, even if IC 24-4.7 is preempted by federal law.

10. Confidentiality of State Information. The Contractor understands and agrees that data, materials and information disclosed to Contractor may contain confidential and protected data. Therefore, the Contractor promises and assures that data, material and information gathered, based upon or disclosed to Contractor for the purposes of this Contract, will not be disclosed to others or discussed with other parties without the prior written consent of the State.

11. Conflict of Interest

A. As used in this section:

“Immediate Family” means the spouse and unemancipated children of an individual.

“Interested Party” means:

1. The individual executing this Contract;
2. An individual who has an interest of three percent (3%) or more of Contractor, if Contractor is not an individual; or
3. Any member of the immediate family of an individual specified under subdivision 1 or 2.

“Department” means the Indiana Department of Administration.

“Commission” means the State Ethics Commission.

B. The Department may cancel this Contract without recourse by Contractor if any interested party is an employee of the State of Indiana.

C. The Department will not exercise its right of cancellation under section B above if the Contractor gives the Department an opinion by the Commission indicating that the existence of this Contract and the employment by the State of Indiana of the interested party does not violate any statute or code relating to ethical conduct of state employees. The Department may take action, including cancellation of this contract, consistent with an opinion of the Commission obtained under this section.

D. Contractor has an affirmative obligation under this contract to disclose to the Department when an interested party is or becomes an employee of the State of Indiana. The obligation under this section extends only to those facts that Contractor knows or reasonably could know.

12. Debarment and Suspension. Contractor certifies, by entering into this contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from entering into this Contract by any federal agency or by any department, agency or political subdivision of the State of Indiana. The term "principal" for purposes of this Contract means an officer, director, owner, partner, key employee, or other person with primary management or supervisory responsibilities, or a person who has a critical influence on or substantive control over the operations of Contractor.

13. Disputes.

A. Should any disputes arise with respect to this Contract, Contractor and the State agree to act immediately to resolve any such disputes. Time is of the essence in the resolution of disputes.

B. The Contractor agrees that, the existence of a dispute notwithstanding, it will continue without delay to carry out all its responsibilities under this contract that are not affected by the dispute. Should the Contractor fail to continue to perform its responsibilities regarding all non-disputed work, without delay, any additional costs incurred by the State or Contractor as a result of such failure to proceed shall be borne by the Contractor, and the Contractor shall make no claim against the State for such costs. If the State and Contractor cannot resolve a dispute within ten (10) working days following notification in writing by either party of the existence of a dispute, then the following procedure shall apply:

The parties agree to resolve such matters through submission of their dispute to the Commissioner of the Indiana Department of Administration. The Commissioner shall reduce a decision to writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy thereof to the Contractor and the State within ten (10) working days after presentation of such dispute for action. The Commissioner's decision shall be final and conclusive unless either party mails or otherwise furnishes to the Commissioner, within ten (10) working days after receipt of the Commissioner's decision, a written appeal. Within ten (10) working days of receipt by the Commissioner of a written request for appeal, the decision may be reconsidered. If no reconsideration is provided within ten (10) working days, the parties may mutually agree to submit the dispute to arbitration for a determination, or otherwise the dispute shall be submitted to an Indiana court of competent jurisdiction.

The State may withhold payments on disputed items pending resolution of the dispute. The unintentional nonpayment by the State to Contractor of one or more invoices not in dispute in accordance with the terms of this Contract will not be cause for Contractor to terminate this contract, and the Contractor may bring suit to collect these amounts without following the disputes procedure contained herein.

14. Drug-Free Workplace. The Contractor hereby covenants and agrees to make a good faith effort to provide and maintain a drug-free workplace. Contractor will give written notice to the State within ten (10) days after receiving actual notice that the Contractor or an employee of the Contractor has been convicted of a criminal drug violation occurring in Contractor's workplace.

False certification or violation of the certification may result in sanctions including, but not limited to, suspension of contract payments, termination of this Contract and/or debarment of contracting opportunities with the State of Indiana for up to three (3) years.

15. Force Majeure. In the event that either party is unable to perform any of its obligations under this Contract or to enjoy any of its benefits because of natural disaster or decrees of governmental bodies not the fault of the affected party (hereinafter referred to as a "Force Majeure Event"), the party who has been so affected shall immediately give notice to the other party and shall do everything possible to resume performance. Upon receipt of such notice, all obligations under this Contract shall be immediately suspended. If the period of nonperformance exceeds thirty (30) days from the receipt of notice of the Force Majeure Event, the party whose ability to perform has not been so affected may, by giving written notice, terminate this Contract.

16. Funding Cancellation. When the director of the State Budget Agency makes a written determination that funds are not appropriated or otherwise available to support continuation of performance of this Contract, this Contract shall be canceled. A determination by the Budget Director that funds are not appropriated or otherwise available to support continuation of performance shall be final and conclusive.

17. Governing Laws. This contract shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Indiana and suit, if any, must be brought in the State of Indiana.

18. Indemnification. Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the State of Indiana and its agents, officials, and employees from all claims and suits including court costs, attorney's fees, and other expenses caused by any act or omission of the Contractor and/or its subcontractors, if any. The State shall not provide such indemnification to Contractor.

19. Independent Contractor. Both parties hereto, in the performance of this Contract, shall act in an individual capacity and not as agents, employees, partners, joint ventures or associates of one another. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purposes whatsoever. Neither party will assume liability for any injury (including death) to any persons, or damage to any property arising out of the acts or omissions of the agents, employees or subcontractors of the other party.

The Contractor shall be responsible for providing all necessary unemployment and worker's compensation insurance for Contractor's employees.

20. Insurance.

A. The Contractor shall secure and keep in force during the term of this Contract, the following insurance coverages, covering the Contractor for any and all claims of any nature which may in any manner arise out of or result from this Contract:

- 1) Commercial general liability, including contractual coverage, and products or completed operations coverage (if applicable), with minimum liability limits of \$500,000 per person and \$1,000,000 per occurrence unless additional coverage is required by the State.
- 2) Automobile liability with minimum liability limits of \$250,000 per person and \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- 3) The Contractor shall provide proof of such insurance coverage by tendering to the undersigned State representative, a certificate of insurance prior to the commencement of this agreement. Workers compensation coverage meeting all statutory requirements of IC 22-3-2. In addition, an "all states endorsement" covering claims occurring outside the state of Indiana if any of the services provided under this agreement involve work outside the state of Indiana.

B. The Contractor's insurance coverage must meet the following additional requirements:

- 1) Any deductible or self-insured retention amount or other similar obligation under the insurance policies shall be the sole obligation of the Contractor.
- 2) The State will be defended, indemnified, and held harmless to the full extent of any coverage actually secured by the Contractor in excess of the minimum requirements set forth above. The duty to indemnify the State under this contract shall not be limited by the insurance required in this contract.
- 3) The insurance required in this Contract, through a policy or endorsement, shall include a provision that the policy and endorsements may not be canceled or modified without thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the undersigned State representative.

Failure to provide insurance as required in this Contract is a material breach of contract entitling the State to immediately terminate this Contract.

C. The Contractor shall furnish a certificate of insurance and all endorsements to the undersigned State representative prior to the commencement of this Contract.

21. Licensing Standards. The parties agree that Contractor and its employees will comply with all applicable licensing standards, certification standards, accrediting standards and any other laws, rules or regulations governing services to be provided by the Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The State shall not be required to reimburse Contractor for any services performed when Contractor or its employees are not in compliance with such applicable standards, laws, or regulations. If licensure,

certification or accreditation expires or is revoked, Contractor shall notify State immediately and the State, at its option, may immediately terminate the Contract.

22. Nondiscrimination. Pursuant to IC 22-9-1-10 and the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in the performance of this contract. The Contractor shall not discriminate with respect to the hire, tenure, terms, conditions or privileges of employment or any matter directly or indirectly related to employment, because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, national origin or ancestry. Breach of this covenant may be regarded as a material breach of Contract. The Contractor's execution of this Contract also signifies compliance with applicable federal laws, regulations, and executive orders prohibiting discrimination in the provision of services based on race, color, national origin, age, sex, disability or status as a veteran.

23. Notice to Parties. Whenever any notice, statement or other communication is required under this Contract, it shall be sent to the following addresses, unless otherwise specifically advised.

A. Notice to the State shall be sent to:

Office of the Attorney General
Attn: Becky Yuan
35 South Park Blvd.
Greenwood, IN 46143

B. Notice and payments to the Contractor shall be sent to:

Christy's of Indiana, LLC
Attn: Jack Christy
6851 South Madison Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46227

24. Payments. All payments shall be made in arrears in accordance with Indiana law and state fiscal policies and procedures, and, as required by IC 4-13-2-14.8, by electronic funds transfer to the financial institution designated by the Contractor in writing unless a specific waiver has been obtained from the Auditor of State. No payments will be made in advance of receipt of the goods or services that are the subject of this Contract except as permitted by IC 4-13-2-20.

25. Penalties/Interest/Attorney's Fees. The State will in good faith perform its required obligations hereunder and does not agree to pay any penalties, liquidated damages, interest, or attorney's fees, except as required by Indiana law, in part, IC 5-17-5, IC 34-54-8, and IC 34-13-1.

Notwithstanding the provisions contained in IC 5-17-5, the Parties stipulate and agree that any liability resulting from the State of Indiana's failure to make prompt payment

shall be based solely on the amount of funding originating from the State of Indiana and shall not be based on funding from federal or other sources.

26. Severability. The invalidity of any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Contract shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, clauses or provisions of this Contract.

27. Substantial Performance. This Contract shall be deemed to be substantially performed only when fully performed according to its terms and conditions and any modification thereof.

28. Taxes. The State of Indiana is exempt from state, federal and local taxes. The State will not be responsible for any taxes levied on the Contractor as a result of this Contract.

29. Termination for Convenience. This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, by the State whenever, for any reason, the State determines that such termination is in the best interest of the State. Termination of services shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a Termination Notice at least thirty (30) days prior to the termination effective date, specifying the extent to which performance of services under such termination becomes effective. The Contractor shall be compensated for services properly rendered prior to the effective date of termination. The State will not be liable for services performed after effective date of termination. The Contractor shall be compensated for services herein provided but in no case shall total payment made to the Contractor exceed the original Contract price or shall any price increase be allowed on individual line items if canceled only in part prior to the original termination date.

30. Termination for Default

- A. With the provision of thirty (30) days notice to the Contractor, the State may terminate this contract in whole or in part, if the Contractor **fails to:**
1. Correct or cure any breach of this Contract;
 2. Deliver the supplies or perform the services within the time specified in this Contract or any extension;
 3. Make progress so as to endanger performance of this Contract; or
 4. Perform any of the other provisions of this contract.

B. If the State terminates this Contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the State considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the Contractor will be liable to the State for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the Contractor shall continue work not terminated.

C. The State shall pay the Contract price for completed supplies delivered and services accepted. The Contractor and the State shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The State may withhold from these amounts any sum the State determines to be necessary to

protect the State against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

D. The rights and remedies of the State in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or equity under this Contract.

31. Waiver of Rights. No right conferred on either party under this Contract shall be deemed waived and no breach of this Contract excused, unless such waiver or excuse is in writing and signed by the party claimed to have waived such right.

Non-Collusion and Acceptance

The undersigned attests, subject to the penalties for perjury, that he/she is the Contractor, or that he/she is the representative, agent, member, or officer of the contracting party, that he/she has not, nor has any other member, employee, representative, agent or officer of the Contractor, directly or indirectly, to the best of his/her knowledge, entered into or offered to enter into any combination, collusion or agreement to receive or pay, and that he/she has not received or paid, any sum of money or other consideration for the execution of this Contract other than that which appears upon the face of this Contract.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Contractor and the State of Indiana have, through duly authorized representatives, entered into this Contract. The parties having read and understand the foregoing terms of the contract do by their respective signatures dated below hereby agree to the terms thereof.

Christy's of Indiana, LLC

By: Jack L. Christy

Printed Name: JACK L. CHRISTY

Title: President

Date: 3/20/07

Office of the Attorney General

By: Brent C. Embrey

Printed Name: Brent C. Embrey

Title: Chief Counsel

Date: 3-27-07

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Carrie Henderson FOR

Commissioner

Date: 3-28-07

STATE BUDGET AGENCY

Charles Schalliol FOR

Director

Date: 4-2-07

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

Stephen Carter FOR

Attorney General

Date: APRIL 9, 2007

ATTACHMENT A

Duties of Contractor

The Contractor will be required to work with one or more unclaimed property staff, who will provide assistance and supervision.

The Contractor will provide a summary of the evaluation method used and any additional definitions or information the OAG will need to publicly sale the safe deposit box contents properly.

The proposed appraisal process for the Contractor will include:

1. Cleaning the items, where needed;
2. Dividing items that have been previously grouped together into individual items, each with a unique Safekeeping ID number;
3. Determining whether the item in question is saleable;
4. Determining the estimated value of the item;
5. Recording the appraised value and a concise description for each item in a user-friendly format;
6. Assigning a "lot number" to individual items, or groups of items that are to be sold together (for maximum return on items)
7. Individually packaging each item in a manner provided by the OAG.

The proposed inventory spreadsheet to include:

1. Safekeeping ID: unique indicator for each individual item. The section will provide the Contractor with Safekeeping ID's. Some new Safekeeping ID's will need to be created as new items are inventoried and divided; the Attorney General will provide the Contractor with guidelines for creating new Safekeeping ID's.
2. Property ID: indicator for the safety deposit box which originally contained item, to be provided by the OAG.
3. Description: detailed description of the item, to be provided by Contractor.
4. Estimated/Appraised Value: estimated value of the item, if saleable, to be determined by the Contractor.
5. Lot number (if appl.): indicator of item to be sold in a group in order to maximize return on items, method of tracking to be determined by Contractor.

ATTACHMENT B
Cost and Time Schedule

Hourly Rate:

Appraisers	\$75/hr/person
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Preparation charge for documents in addition to hourly	\$35/hr
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Estimated time needed for inventory and appraisal*	100 hrs
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Estimated time needed for preparation of documents*	10 hrs
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*Based on Contractor's estimate rate of 50 items per hour per appraiser;
Approx 5,000 items total